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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, LE, US

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FRANGIE

REF: STATE 158958

1. DCM CALLED ON PRESIDENT ADVISOR BOUTROS DIB THIS MORNING ON OTHER MATTERS AND READ TO HIM TEXT OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER CONTAINED REFTEL. DIB EXTREMELY GRATEFUL AND TELEPHONE PRESIDENT FRANGIE WHO IS CURRENTLY AT SUMMER RESIDENCE IN EHDEN. HE ALSO INFORMED FOREIGN MINISTER NAFFAH. DCM EMPHASIZED PARA 3 REFTEL. DIB SAID HE UNDERSTOOD BUT HE THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD BE IN USG'S INTEREST FOR GOL EITHER (A) RELEASE GIST REPEAT GIST OF MESSAGE, (B) RELEASE CERTAIN PORTIONS WHICH HE DID NOT SPECIFY OR (C) RELEASE ENTIRE MESSAGE.

2. DIB POINTED OUT HE THOUGHT THAT MESSAGE WAS EXCELLENT AND WAS THINKING PRINCIPALLY OF USG POSITION HERE. IT THIS CONNECTION HE NOTED THAT SOVIETS PUSHED HARD TO HAVE GOL RELEASE BREZHNEV'S LETTER. GOL FIRST RELEASED GIST, THEN CERTAIN PARAGRAPHS AND FINALLY AT REQUEST OF SOVIET EMBASSY RELEASED ENTIRE TEXT WHICH WAS PUBLISHED JULY 12.

3. I SHALL DELIVER TEXT FORMALLY TO DIB THIS AFTERNOON ON MY WAY HOME AND WILL DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER. GODLEY

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